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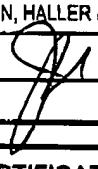
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147		2,520	147		2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
112		920*	112		920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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115		110	215		55	Extension for reply within first month	
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128		1,850	228		925	Extension for reply within fifth month	
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120		300	220		150	Filing a brief in support of appeal	
121		280	221		130	Request for oral hearing	
138		1,510	138		1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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